

The Epiphany of the Lord ***January 8, 2006***

~From the Desk of Fr. Terry~

Thank you all for a wonderful farewell send off last Tuesday evening. I was overwhelmed by the turnout for the mass and party. I will miss all of you very much.

Fr. Vincent Lenihan had a safe trip back to Ireland and is visiting one of his sisters who lives in Dublin. After “reconnecting” with all of his siblings he will be moving back into his house in Galway. Thank you for your prayers for his safe travel and please continue to hold him in your prayers as he settles into life in the Emerald Isle.

Fr. Brent Nall will be officially ‘on duty’ starting Monday, Feb. 6. I am very happy that Fr. Brent is the new pastor. He is a good man and a good priest and I am confident that you will love him.

Until Fr. Brent gets here, Fr. Paul Schloeder, Fr. Manuel Soria, and Fr. Al Kaster will be covering the sacraments and masses. I am leaving you in good hands.

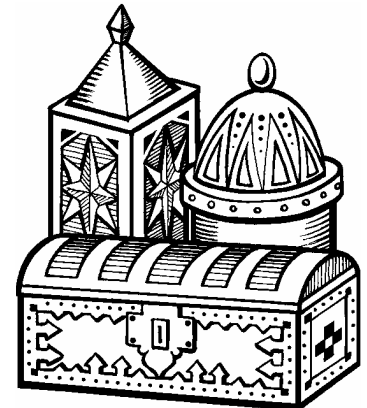
Time is running out!!! The last day to get tickets for the Knights of Columbus “ALL YOU CAN EAT” CRAB FEED is Monday, January 16th. Don’ t miss out! The doors open at 5pm, dinner at 7pm, raffle at 9pm. A \$30 donation gets you all the crab and extras you could possibly eat on Saturday, February 4, 2006.

St. John the Baptist Parish has been a wonderful experience for me and you will always be in my heart. God bless you all.

~Fr. Terry~

PARTNERS IN THE PROMISE

As a society, during these days we can be in something of a “postpartum” depression. Our celebrations of Christmas and the New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression “partners in the promise.” This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah—a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day.



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www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org.

It is up and running, thanks to the hard work of some wonderful parishioners. It contains a lot of information and features, including the Weekly Bulletin, news and events, celebration schedules, ministries, a photo gallery and much, much more! Come “browse” with us.

The Church Website: www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org

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Fr. Terry's web-site: frterryfulton.org

✧ CALENDAR ✧

✧ Calendar for the week ✧

Sat. 7 St. Raymond of Peñafort; First Saturday;
Confessions 10-11am
Spanish CFF 12-2pm

Sun. 8 The Epiphany of the Lord

Mon. 9 The Baptism of the Lord; Natl. Vocation Awareness Week

Tues. 10 1st Week in Ordinary Time

Wed. 11 7pm Misa

Thurs. 12

Fri 13 St. Hilary

Adoration 3:30-4:30p in church

Sat. 14 BVM

Confessions 10-11am

Sun. 15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tridentine Mass 11:00am

Please note that the Tridentine mass time is changed to 11:00am

✧ Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist ✧

Sat 7	7:30a	Special Intention
Vigil	5:30p ✧	Rose Giannotti (✧)
Sun 8	7:30p ✧	Louie Iannone (✧)
	9:30a	For the People of God
Spanish	12:30p	
	5:30p ✧	Soledad Steward (✧)
Mon 9	7:30a ✧	John Reginato (✧) and his living family
Tues 10	7:30a ✧	Kathy Logan (✧)
Wed 11	7:30a ✧	Louis Ianonne (✧)
Spanish	7:00p	
Thurs 12	7:30a	Bertoli Family (living & deceased)
Fri 13	7:30a ✧	Souls in Purgatory
School	8:45	
Sat 14	7:30a	Lona Stalker's grandchildren & great grandchildren (living)
	5:30 ✧	Millie Dabrowski (✧)
Sun 15	7:30a ✧	Josephine Frey (✧)
	9:30a	For the People of God
Latin	11:00a	Special Intention
Spanish	12:30p ✧	Fances B. Perez (✧)
	5:30p ✧	Rusty Beauchane (✧)

✧ Mass Intentions ~St. James ✧

Sun. 8 9:00a ✧ Orville Pickering
10:30a

✧ Indicates deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Helen Wagner, Katherine Gavranich, Helen Mary Wagner, Rusty Beauchane and for their families.

✧ ESPAÑOL ✧

Domingo 8 **La Epifanía del Señor**~ Misa 12:30pm

Lunes 9 El Bautismo del Señor

Martes 10

Miércoles 11

Confesiones 6:30p

Misa a las 7:00 pm.

Coro 6:30p

A.A. en Español 7pm

Adoración 3:30-4:30pm

Jueves 12

Viernes 13 San Hilario, obispo y doctor

A.A. en Español 7pm

Sábado 14 S.M.V.

CFF- 12-2pm

Domingo 15 2º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Misa 12:30pm

Tridentine Misa 11:00am

PARTICIPANTES EN LA PROMESA

Las celebraciones de Navidad y Año Nuevo se han terminado, y después de hoy Día de los Reyes Magos, muchos de nosotros guardaremos las decoraciones y los últimos vestigios de las celebraciones de las semanas pasadas. El apóstol Pablo usa la expresión "participantes de la promesa". Esta es una frase digna de reflexionar, y de pensar que es nuestro llamado en estos días después del nacimiento del Señor. ¿Cuál es esta promesa? Podemos encontrarla en los regalos que traen los magos: la promesa de ser un sacerdocio real (oro), una nación santa (incienso), un pueblo escogido para dar de sí (mirra). Encontramos otro aspecto de la promesa en Isaías -¡una luz que nos alumbrará! En el salmo encontramos la promesa de un mundo en donde florece la justicia, la paz profunda, los pobres rescatados, piedad para los humildes y los pobres. Esta es la promesa; y una de las mejores maneras de continuar el espíritu de generosidad navideña es vivir día a día nuestra parte como participantes en esta promesa.



Legion de Maria todos los jueves a las 7:00 de la noche en el Salon de conferencia en la plata baja. Llame para informacion Guadalupe Guerra 899-7995 o Raquel Ruiz 343-8741.

❖ PARISH NEWS ❖

CRAB FEED Knights of Columbus "ALL

YOU CAN EAT" 2006 Crab Feed at St. John's. Mark your calendars NOW for Sat. February 4, Doors open at 5pm, dinner is served at 7pm and the raffle is at 9pm. Premium wines, cocktails and beer will be on tap. There will be a \$10 corkage fee for wine brought from home. One ticket per \$30 donation. **NO TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED AT THE DOOR.** The last day to get tickets is Monday, Jan. 16th.

For tickets call Jim Currlin 343-6409 or 343-4067, Jeff Scofield at Chico Mini Storage 891-0311 or come by the church office, 435 Chestnut St., M-F 9-12:30 or 1:30-4:30.

Don't miss the deadline for tickets on January 16th!!!

Catholic Ladies Relief #3 is advertising for a part-time position of Program Coordinator. Please call the Center 895-8331 between 9-noon, Mon- Fri. for job specs. or come by for an application at 1386 Longfellow. This position is open to both men and women.

Catholic Daughters is having their 55th Anniversary luncheon on Thursday, Jan 19th at the Newman Center. Mass at 11:00am with lunch to follow. The cost is \$10. Please RSVP by Jan 12th to Lorraine 342-2240 or Flo 896-0249.

Christ the King Retreat Center Women's Weekend Retreat,

Sign up now for our parish retreat Jan 27-29th. You will have quiet space and inspiring talks to help you see your life more clearly. You'll find rest and relaxation, too! Just contact our captains, Lyn Dorenzo 891-8026 or Rita Staring 895-1214 or the Retreat Center 916-725-4720. Reserved space for St. John's will only be held until Jan. 15th, after that it will be open to anyone in the diocese so hurry and reserve your spot.

Christ the King Retreat Center Men's weekend retreat.

It's almost time! Sign up now for Feb 24-26. Are you running so hard you can't catch up? Do you know where your goal is? Learn how to find your direction and your energy to live the truly good life. Call the captains Allan Forbes 342-5493 or John Sutthoff 343-4040 for info & reservations.

Support Catholic Radio in the Chico area. Listen to "The Catholic Hour: Why Be Catholic" featuring Joe Hollcraft as the host. Please tune in KKXX AM930 at 11AM on Saturdays (live) and 11AM Sundays (encore). If you would like to sponsor this program on the air please contact the office- 343-8741.

Kid Corral: Next meeting is January 28th. Kids of all ages are welcome. In addition, Walk For Life West Coast will be on January 21 in San Francisco. Kids from Kid Corral are going



again this year. Call Hillary Gomez (or mom, Kelly) 891-4500 NOW if you are interested in going.

❖ PARISH NEWS ❖

Walk For Life West Coast 2006: Make history- join thousands of West Coast pro-lifers on Jan. 21, 2006 for the 2nd Annual Walk for Life West Coast.



Join us in challenging the notion that abortion has ever been a good choice for women, for men, for families or for our society. Join us as we proclaim the truth that abortion hurts women, men and children, and that we all deserve

better than abortion. Help proclaim a message of Life and Peace throughout the streets of San Francisco. The Walk for life will begin at 11am at Justin Herman Plaza (near the Ferry Bldg. in San Francisco). For more info- call 415-586-1576 or visit website www.walkforlifewc.com.

Walk for Life Participants from the Sacramento Diocese

are invited to celebrate 8am mass at St. Rose Church, 5961 Franklin Blvd., Sac. Then a bus for San Francisco departs from St. Rose parking lot after the 8am mass. Bus reservations are required, the cost is \$15 per person. Bus reservation deadline is Jan 11. To reserve contact Lenore Mullarkey, 916-395-9370.

Bishop Weigand will celebrate the annual Pro-Life Mass on

Tuesday, Jan. 24 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, 1017 11th St. in Sac. Mass will be at 10:30am with the pro-life rosary recited before Mass at 10am. Come join us as we pray to promote a culture of life in our State and in our Nation! For more information, please contact the Respect Life Office at (916) 733-0140.

A weekly Holy Hour is held at St. John's every Friday, 3:30-4:30p. Come spend some time with Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament.

❖ Community News ❖

Mark Your Calendars Now: Dr Alexander Shaia, noted Scripture Scholar, Speaker, and Author will make a presentation on the Gospel of Mark; Friday, Jan. 27, 7-8:30pm and Saturday, Jan 28, 9am-3pm at Sacred Heart Parish Center in Red Bluff (530) 527-2209. Call Sacred Heart parish for more information.

Widowhood Program: Come and meet new friends, eat good food and learn about interesting programs that are available. We meet for breakfast on Mondays and lunch on Wednesdays and love to have new people join us. For more info on this great program, give Anne a call at 342-4291 on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Become an Enloe Hospice Volunteer: Training begins Friday, Jan. 13. The class meets on ten Friday afternoons, from 2:00-5:00pm, through March 17th at Enloe

Conference Center, at 5th and Esplanade. For more info contact Nancy, Volunteer Coordinator at 332-3180. An interview is required prior to training.

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖

Marriage Encounter Community Night. From 6:30-8:30pm Attention Encountered couples, we meet in the upper meeting room of the school. on the first Saturday of the month for potluck and a meeting to follow. Please join us. Call Stephanie and James Burkett 893-2348 for details.

RETROUVAILLE- Help for Hurting Marriages! Tens of thousands of marriages headed for divorce have successfully been saved by attending a Retrouvaille program. If you are thinking of separation or divorce or you are already separated or divorced but want to try again, then we believe Retrouvaille can help. For additional info, see the websites: www.retrouvaille.org or Sacramento@RetroCA.com. You can also call Fred and Barbara at 800-283-5952 or Fran at 916-362-2525. Retrouvaille (the French word for "rediscovery") is a live-in weekend and non-live-in post-weekend program for married couples. The emphasis is on a technique of communication between a husband and wife. A series of in-depth presentations are given by one of three married couples and a priest that focuses on a specific area of a marriage relationship. Post-weekend sessions continue the marriage renewal begun on the weekend and review earlier concepts in greater depth, introduce new ones and help you to apply these concepts to your own marriage.

Marriage Encounter We are looking to help make good marriages even better! If you have a good marriage and want to make it a great marriage, come to a Marriage Encounter Weekend! Call Dorothy & Aric Cook 891-0426 more details.

Want to be part of the statistic that has less than 2% divorce rate? Then Natural Family Planning is what you want! In addition to less than a 2% divorce rate, it is better than all other methods in achieving or avoiding pregnancy, it has no side effects, is very low cost, and treats both women and men with respect.

Natural Family Planning (Creighton model) classes are available right here in Chico as well as in Yuba City. Contact Jackie Hollcraft P.A.C., M.S. (899-0243) in Chico or Dr. Gretchen Marsh (671-9625) in Yuba City. This model is introduced in our Marriage Prep. classes.

Catholic Marriage Enrichment Group Our next meeting is in the social hall at Our Divine Savior on Jan. 4th, 6:45 - 9pm. The theme will be "How to Become Best Friends with Your Mate and Family". All Catholic married couples are welcome so please join us. If you have questions, please contact Debbie Weinrich at Sierra Counseling Service 342-2878.



Pray for ...

- Fr. Terry as he transitions to his new assignment in Woodland and for our new pastor.
- the Holy Spirit to choose our new priest and bless our community
- all Priests and Religious
- our Bishops, William Weigand, Richard Garcia, and Francis Quinn
- for the intentions of Pope Benedict XVI
- the many, many sick and suffering of our parish family
- the victims and relief workers of tragedies
- our military men and women.
- an end to abortion.
- healing for those women and men wounded by abortion
- our political leaders and our country to respect and defend life in all its stages
- Christian marriages and families
- vocations to the priesthood and religious life
- success of the Catholic high school project
- Fr. JB, his many projects in Kenya and our sister parish, St. John the Baptist, in Nyeri, Kenya.
- the holy souls in Purgatory
- the intentions of our parishioners
- those who have no one to pray for them

POPE BENEDICT'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

General Intention: "That the effort to bring about the full communion of Christians will foster reconciliation and peace among all the peoples of the earth."

Mission intention: "That Christians will know how to welcome migrants with respect and charity, recognizing in each person the image of God."

"St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen"

Collections for last Sunday & Christmas
St. John St. James
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If you would like to be on the Lifeteen mailing list please contact Rob at 342-4687 leave us a message and a phone number.
www.chicolifeteen.org

Jr. High Students

This Week: No Meeting-
Next Week: No Meeting

High School Students:

This Week: No Meeting
Next Week: No Meeting~

Youth House School Hours: We're open Mon-Thurs.
Mon. 3pm-4:30pm; Tues. 3pm-8pm; Wed. 3pm-5:30pm
and Thurs. 3pm-8pm (these times are sometimes subject
to change, so call first to make sure we're open.)

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - IN THE ZONE PRAYER GROUP We meet every Thursday at 5:00pm.
Join us at the Youth House as we study Christ's living
word in the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelations. All
high school students are welcome!!

XLT: (Exalt) Come together for praise and worship in front of
Exposition of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament (in church).
Open to all teens and young adults in the Deanery ages 14-30.
The next XLT is January 26th at 7:00PM

Join the CORE! We are currently looking for new CORE
Team members, ages 18 thru 118 with a heart for teens. If you
are interested please call 342-4687 and ask for Rob.

New Teen "PRAYER IN YOUR LIFE" Group
is getting ready to start! For more information call
Debbie Rosales at 894-8552.

Youth Sacrament Preparation For Teens

For teens in grades 7-12 who need Baptism, First
Reconciliation, First Communion and/or
Confirmation. Contact Jason at the Church office if
this is something you need.

✧ **CFF: CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION** ✧

Religious Education Questions ?:
Call Jason Van Buskirk 343-8741

**CFF Resumes Today
Welcome Back!!**

**A Blessed New Year
to All**

SACRAMENTS

All children who are expecting to receive
sacraments should already have their registrations
turned in to Jason.

Sacrament Parent's Class: Next class is
Tuesday, January 17th, 7-8 p.m. in the Upper
Meeting Room. We will be discussing the
Sacrament of Confession. All are very encouraged
to attend!

The Lord bless you and keep you



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PARISH INFORMATION ✦

Welcome to Our Community

Registrations: We are so happy that you have decided to join us. To register with St. John's or our mission church, St. James, fill out a registration form available in the vestibule of the church or church office & drop it in the collection or at the office (343-8741) located across the street from the parking lot at 435 Chestnut St.

Marriages: make arrangements with the priest no less than 6 months in advance of your desired date. For an appointment with the priest call the office 343-8741.

Baptisms: The required Baptism classes are offered every other month in English and every month in Spanish. Come to the office for a baptism registration form and class information or call the office 343-8741 for information.

Children's Faith Formation (C.F.F.): Pre-K through 6th grade. **September–May.** Registration is in August. Classes began Sept 11th. Contact Jason Van Buskirk, DRE at the office 343-8741.

Children's Sacraments: Requires at least 2 years attendance in Religious Education (CFE or Notre Dame School). Registration is in August. Contact Jason for info. 343-8741.

Confirmation: Is received in the 6th grade and requires a minimum of 2 years attendance in an approved religious education program. Call Jason 343-8741 for more info.

Youth Sacrament Program: For youth in grades 7-12 who need sacraments: Baptism, First Penance, First Communion and/or Confirmation. Contact Jason 343-8741. Registrations are from Aug. 22 – Sept. 16. Classes begin Oct. 12.

Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children: (RCIC)

If your elementary age children have missed Baptism or First Communion contact Jason Van Buskirk 343-8741.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Interested in what the Church teaches, in becoming a Catholic, or have missed some sacraments, please contact Deacon Steve Schwartz 891-0626.

✦ BIBLE STUDIES ✦

Men's Bible Study: meets every Friday morning 6-7am in the Knights of Columbus Room at Our Divine Savior Parish Hall. Also join them for breakfast after from 7-8am if you can. Call Deacon Steve Schwartz 891-0626 for details.

Women's Bible Study: Tuesday mornings 9-11am at Terry Matthews' home. Prayer, fellowship, discussion of daily readings and Scott Hahn scripture study. Everyone is welcome—no prior experience needed! Call Terry 893-1644 for details.

Bible Study with Joe Hollcraft: You can hear Joe "live" on the radio, "The Catholic Hour: Why Be Catholic". on KKXX AM930 at 11:00am on Saturdays and re-aired on Sundays at 11:00am.

✦ PRAYER GROUPS ✦

Eucharistic Adoration: Weekly: every Friday 3:30-4:40pm Monthly: the first Monday of the month, all day 8:00am—7:00pm. Benediction is from 6:45-7pm.

XLT: (Exalt) open to all teens and young adults in the Deanery ages 14—30. Meets in the Church on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00PM

Holy Spirit Prayer Group: meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Newman Center at 7pm. Call Carolyn Cyr 891-4815 or Deacon James Burkett 893-2348 for information.

Rosary Prayer Group: meets in the Church on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. (English)

Pro-Life Prayer Group — Missionaries to the Unborn: Help rescue the unborn through prayer. Every Saturday 9:00am.-11:00am. we pray outside the Feminist Women's Health Center abortion mill, 1469 Humbolt Rd. (across from the police station) Pray with us and stand for Life. Questions? Call Jim 891-0427.

In The Zone Prayer Group: High School students meet Thursday evenings, 5:00pm in the Youth House.

Kid Corral For kids of all ages! See Parish News for more information or call Hillary Gomez at 891-4500 (or mom, Kelly)

Grupo de Oración and Jr. Grupo meets Tuesday evenings in the upper meeting room of the school at 7:00pm (Spanish)

Legión de María Rosario meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Contact Raquel Ruiz for more information 343-8741 (Spanish)

Clase de Oración meets Friday evenings at 7-9pm. (Spanish) in the cafeteria.

Readings for the week of 1/09-1/15

Mon: Is 42: 1-4,6-7; Mk 1: 7-11
Tues: 1 Sm 1: 9-20; Mk 1: 21-28
Wed: 1 Sm 3: 1-10, 19-20; Mk 1: 29-39
Thurs 1 Sm 4: 1-11; Mk 1: 40-45
Fri: 1 Sm 8: 4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2: 1-12
Sat: 1 Sm 9: 1-4, 17-19; 10: 1a; Mk 2: 13-17
Sun: 1 Sm 3: 3b-10, 19; Ps 40;
1 Cor 6: 13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Theme for 1/15 "Here am I, Lord"

Liturgy of the Hours ~ wk II

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